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Lend your voice to our Legislative process! This newsletter highlights bills currently under consideration by the Howard County Council and legislation under consideration that may impact Howard County citizens while the Maryland General Assembly is in session.

To promote an engaged citizenry, I encourage you to review this information. The County Council welcomes you to submit testimony on legislation we are considering. To do so, please email us at <a href="mail@howardcountymd.gov">councilmail@howardcountymd.gov</a>. You may join us during one of our upcoming public hearings, generally held the 3rd Monday of each month. To sign-up in advance to testify, click <a href="mailto:here">here</a>. The Howard County Delegation also hosts public hearings and welcomes your testimony. To testify, email <a href="mailto:hoc1@mlis.state.md.us">hoc1@mlis.state.md.us</a>.

I hope you find this newsletter informative and use this opportunity to become an integral part of our legislative process.





#### **Howard County Council Legislation**

Unless otherwise noted, the following legislation is introduced by the Chairperson at the request of the County Executive.

#### HIGHLIGHTED LEGISLATION

#### CB60-2017 (ZRA180)

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive and cosponsored by Greg Fox and Mary Kay Sigaty

AN ACT allowing certain composting facilities and emergency natural wood waste recycling

#### CB61-2017

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
AN ACT amending the Adequate Public
Facilities Act requiring certain periodic review;
specifying completion timelines for certain types of road remediation projects; requiring that

facilities as accessory uses under certain conditions in certain Zoning Districts; allowing certain natural wood waste recycling facilities and composting facilities as a use permitted as other terminology; requiring certain waiting a matter of right under certain conditions in certain Zoning Districts; providing supplementary regulations for composting facilities and emergency natural wood waste recycling facilities; providing conditional use standards for composting facilities and natural wood waste recycling facilities; defining certain terms; making certain technical corrections; and generally relating to the Howard County Zoning Regulations.

certain agreements contain certain provisions with regard to the timing of road mitigation projects; amend the title of certain charts and periods; clarifying certain exemptions; defining certain terms; amending certain definitions; making certain technical corrections; and generally relating to the Adequate Public Facilities Act of Howard County.

#### PREFILED LEGISLATION

All prefiled legislation scheduled to be introduced at this month's legislative session can be viewed by clicking here.

#### **APPOINTMENTS**

#### CR100-2017

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive Kathleen Hetherington to the Board of Directors of Grace Morris to the Housing and Community the Economic Development Authority.

#### CR101-2017

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive Sufficiency.

#### CR102-2017

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive Tyrone P. Jones, IV to the Board of Social Services.

#### CR103-2017

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive Richard Lombardo to the Board of Directors of the Economic Development Authority.

#### CR104-2017

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Kevin McAliley to the Planning Board.

#### CR105-2017

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Development Board.

#### CR106-2017

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Kashonna Holland to the Board to Promote Self- Clara Scholz to the Commission for Transitioning Students with Disabilities.

#### CR107-2017

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Michael Sloan to the Housing and Community Development Board.

#### CR108-2017

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Dana Shourbaji to the Commission for Transitioning Students with Disabilities.

#### **GENERAL**

#### CB54-2017

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive AN ACT pursuant to Section 612 of the Howard County Charter, approving a multiyear Wholesale Water Agreement between

#### CB59-2017 (ZRA181)

Introduced by: Jon Weinstein AN ACT amending the Howard County Zoning Regulations Conditional Use section to allow Country Inns in the Residential Village Housing (R-VH) Zoning District, under certain

Howard County, Maryland and the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, a municipal corporation, for the purchase of potable water; authorizing the County Executive to enter into the Agreement and to make changes to the Agreement before executing it, under certain conditions; and generally relating to a multiyear agreement for the purchase of potable water.

#### CB55-2017

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive AN ACT pursuant to Section 612 of the Howard County Charter, approving a Lease Agreement between Howard County, Maryland and LSOP 3 MD 3, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, for 8.84 acres of real property improved with two onestory office buildings known as 9820 and 9830 Patuxent Woods Drive, Columbia, to be County's interest for a use-in-common gravel used by several County agencies, quasigovernmental agencies, and non-profit agencies from time to time; authorizing the County Executive to enter into the Agreement and to make changes to the Agreement before executing it, under certain conditions; and generally relating to a multi-year lease of certain premises by Howard County.

#### CB56-2017

#### Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

AN ACT amending the Howard County Police and Fire Employees' Retirement Plan, to provide that line-of-duty death benefits to a surviving spouse do not terminate on the remarriage of the surviving spouse; and generally relating to the Howard County Police and Fire Employees' Retirement Plan.

#### CB57-2017

#### Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

AN ACT approving and providing for a multiyear Installment Purchase Agreement by Howard County, Maryland to acquire development rights in approximately 50.09 acres of agricultural land located on the east side of Manor Lane, Ellicott City, Howard County, Maryland, from the Ziegler Family Irrevocable Trust FBO Alexandra Nina Zirschky and John Christian Zirschky, the Jessica Ziegler Trust- 2000, the Simon Ray Ziegler Schwartz Trust- 2008, and the Reed E. Ziegler Schwartz Trust- 2008 or any other owner thereof for a maximum purchase price of \$1,303,400.00 or, if less, not more than \$26,020.00 per acre or portion thereof, rounded to the next highest \$100, plus interest on the deferred portion of such purchase price; providing that the County's obligation to pay such purchase price and interest on the deferred portion of such purchase price shall be a full faith and credit general obligation of the County; providing for the levying of taxes for such payments; authorizing the County Executive to modify

conditions; and generally relating to Country Inns.

#### CB62-2017

#### Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

AN ACT amending PlanHoward 2030, the general plan for Howard County, to reduce the number of allocations in the Growth and Revitalization category and to increase the number of allocations in the Established Communities category, beginning in 2020; and generally relating to planning, zoning and land use in Howard County.

#### CR109-2017

#### Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION pursuant to Section 4.201 of the Howard County Code, declaring that the driveway located across property adjacent to the County's Cooksville Highway shop is no longer needed by Howard County, Maryland for public purposes; authorizing the County Executive to terminate and convey its interest to the owner of the property; waiving the advertising and bidding requirements of Section 4.201 of the Howard County Code; and providing that the County Executive is not bound to terminate the interest if he finds that the property may have a further public use.

#### CR110-2017

#### Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION establishing a Surplus School Use Committee to study the disposition of the former Harriet Tubman High School site; providing for a certain public meeting; providing for the Committee's membership, duties, and lifespan; setting certain deadlines; and generally relating to a Surplus School Use Committee.

#### CR111-2017

#### Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION adopted pursuant to Sections 21-501 et seq. of the Local Government Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland (the "Special Taxing District Act") providing for the designation of certain property in Howard County, Maryland located adjacent to U.S. Route 1 and immediately north of the City of Laurel, Maryland as a special taxing district for the purposes of the Special Taxing District Act; creating a special fund pursuant to the Special Taxing District Act; providing for the levy, imposition and collection of special taxes to be deposited to such special fund in the circumstances described herein; providing for the deposit and use of moneys in such special fund; and providing for, finding, and determining matters in connection therewith.

#### CR112-2017

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the

such Agreement; and providing for and determining various matters in connection therewith.

#### CB58-2017

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

AN ACT approving and providing for a multiyear Installment Purchase Agreement by Howard County, Maryland to acquire development rights in approximately 61.52 acres of agricultural land located on Manor Lane, Ellicott City, Howard County, Maryland, from The Trust FBO Thomas Lee Carroll, et al, or any other owner thereof for a maximum purchase price of \$1,955,200.00 or, if less, not more than \$31,780.80 per acre or portion thereof, rounded to the next highest \$100, plus interest on the deferred portion of such purchase price; providing that the County's obligation to pay such purchase price and interest on the deferred portion of such purchase price shall be a full faith and credit general obligation of the County; providing for the levying of taxes for such payments; authorizing the County Executive to modify such Agreement; and providing for and determining various matters in connection therewith.

#### request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION amending the green neighborhood standards that are used to qualify for Green Neighborhood Allocations and amending a total number of possible points on the Green Neighborhood Site portion of the Green Neighborhood Checklist.

#### **CURRENT LEGISLATION**

Legislation below is currently pending and under consideration by the County Council. Action will be taken at the next Legislative Session. More details can be found online.

#### **APPOINTMENTS**

#### CR72-2017

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment Sonia He to the Environmental Sustainability Board.

#### CR73-2017

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive Matthew A. Reber to the Board of Health.

#### CR74-2017

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of request of the County Executive Robert A. Mentz to the Board of Library Trustees.

#### CR75-2017

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of request of the County Executive Edgar Zepp, IV to the Plumbing Advisory Board.

#### CR76-2017

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the

#### CR83-2017

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Ananta Hejeebu to the Howard County Board of Education.

#### CR84-2017

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Savannah A. Kaiss to the State Agricultural Preservation Advisory Board.

#### CR85-2017

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Renee Bitner to the Adult Public Guardianship Review Board.

#### CR86-2017

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Steven C. Snelgrove to the Board of Directors of the Economic Development Authority.

#### CR87-2017

request of the County Executive A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of request of the County Executive Terry L. Winegar to the Plumbing Advisory Board.

#### CR77-2017

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of request of the County Executive Marilyn Weeks to the Plumbing Advisory Board.

#### CR78-2017

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of request of the County Executive Robert C. McLaughlin to the Plumbing Advisory Board.

#### CR79-2017

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of request of the County Executive Samuel P. Buma to the Plumbing Advisory Board.

#### CR80-2017

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of request of the County Executive Samuel Nitkin to the Recreation and Parks Board.

#### CR81-2017

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of request of the County Executive Deborah A. Meyers to the Public Transportation Board.

#### CR82-2017

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive A RESOLUTION approving a list of Howard accordance with State law, so that the Governor may choose one of the residents from the list to fill a vacancy on the Property Tax Assessment Appeal Board.

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of S. Allan Shad to the Historic Preservation Commission.

#### CR88-2017

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Anne Markus to the Board of Library Trustees.

#### CR89-2017

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Thomas K. Munns to the Board of Library Trustees.

#### CR90-2017

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Paul J. Beckham to the Board of Directors of the Howard County Revenue Authority.

#### CR91-2017

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Danilsa M. Marciniak to the Board of Social Services.

#### CR92-2017

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Reginald T. Avery to the Howard County Commission for Veterans and Military Families.

#### CR93-2017

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive County residents to be sent to the Governor, in A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Christopher Williams to the Howard County Commission for Veterans and Military Families.

#### **GENERAL**

#### CB49-2017

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive AN ACT pursuant to Section 612 of the Howard County Charter, approving a multiyear Agreement of Lease between Howard County, Maryland and The Howard County Arts Council, Inc., a non-profit Maryland corporation, for approximately 12.652 acres of land at 8510 High Ridge Road, Ellicott City, Maryland, under the terms of which the County agrees to pay certain costs associated with the premises; authorizing the

#### CR94-2017

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive A RESOLUTION revising Volume I (Storm Drainage) of the Design Manual to mandate a specified amount of rainfall for 100-year storms; to clarify provisions related to open channels; to amend provisions related to stormwater management facilities in Howard County; to make technical changes; and generally related to Volume I, Storm Drainage, of the Design Manual.

County Executive to enter into the Agreement <a href="CR95-2017">CR95-2017</a> and to make changes to the Agreement before executing it, under certain conditions; and generally relating to a multi-year lease of certain premises owned by Howard County to County Land Preservation & Recreation Plan. The Howard County Arts Council, Inc.

#### CB50-2017

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the Board of Education AN ACT pursuant to Section 612 of the Howard County Charter, approving a Sixth Renewal of Agreement of Lease between Howard County, Maryland and Oakwood Columbia, LLC, a Maryland limited liability company, for 8,122 square feet of office space at 7060 Oakland Mills Road, Columbia, Maryland, to be used by the Department of Recreation and Parks; authorizing the County Executive to enter into the Renewal and to make changes to the Renewal before executing it, under certain conditions; and generally relating to a multiyear lease of certain premises by Howard County from Oakwood Columbia, LLC.

#### **CB51-2017**

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive AN ACT amending the Pay Plan for Howard County; removing certain Security Officer positions; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the Pay Plan for Howard County.

#### CB52-2017

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive AN ACT amending the Classification Plan for Howard County; amending and adding certain class descriptions within the public safety and Sheriff operations class; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to amendments to the Howard County Classification Plan.

#### CB53-2017

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of Warren H. Boyer

AN ACT amending the Howard County Zoning Regulations to establish a new use category of Storage or Use of Trailers, Modular Offices, Shipping Containers, or Refuse Containers; and generally relating to Storage or Use of Trailers, Modular Offices, Shipping Containers, or Refuse Containers.

### Introduced by: The Chairperson at the

request of the County Executive A RESOLUTION adopting the 2017 Howard

#### CR96-2017

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive A RESOLUTION adopting the Housing Unit Allocation Chart for Fiscal Year 2018 pursuant to the Adequate Public Facilities Act of Howard County.

#### CR97-2017

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive A RESOLUTION adopting the Open/Closed Chart, pursuant to the Adequate Public Facilities Act of Howard County, to designate the school regions and school districts that are open for residential development.

#### CR98-2017

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive and cosponsored by Greg Fox A RESOLUTION approving the urban renewal project for the Long Reach Village Center in Columbia pursuant to Section 13.1106 of the Howard County Code.

#### CR99-2017

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive and cosponsored by Greg Fox

A RESOLUTION declaring that certain real property containing approximately 7.71 acres located at 8775 Cloudleap Court, Columbia, Maryland and acquired by the County pursuant to the urban renewal project initiated by Council Resolution No. 22-2014 is no longer needed by the County for public purposes; authorizing the County Executive to sell the property to Orchard Development Corporation or its subsidiary; waiving the advertising and bidding requirements of Section 4.201 of the Howard County Code; providing that the County Executive is not bound to sell the property if he finds that it may have a further public use.

#### **TABLED**

#### CB20-2017

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive AN ACT amending the qualifications of the Administrator of the Office of Transportation; amending the duties of the Office of

#### CR104-2016

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive A RESOLUTION pursuant to Section 4.201 of the Howard County Code, authorizing the County Executive's sale of certain real property known

Transportation; amending the general powers and duties of members of the Public Transportation Board; adding the Office of Transportation to agencies serving on the Subdivision Review Committee; and generally relating to the Office of Transportation. (tabled 4/3/17)

#### CR1-2017

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of Windsor Forest Fox Chasing HOA, Inc. and Gaither Hunt Homeowners Association, Inc.

Road, as shown in Exhibits A and B, in accordance with Section 18.204 of the Howard County Code. (tabled 2/6/17)

as the "Flier Building" owned by Howard County, Maryland, containing approximately 2.159 acres, and located at 10750 Little Patuxent Parkway, Maryland; waiving the advertising and bidding requirements of Section 4.201 of the Howard County Code; and providing that the County Executive is not bound to sell the property if he finds that it may have a further public use. (tabled 7/29/16)

#### CR179-2016

Introduced by: Calvin Ball and Jennifer **Terrasa** 

A RESOLUTION to close all of Winter Thicket A RESOLUTION calling on the Maryland State Department of Education to contract for a performance audit of the Howard County Public School System and specifying the issues requested to be studied. (tabled 12/05/16)

#### PRIOR LEGISLATION

All legislation voted on during the previous month can be found online using the legislative search tool by clicking here.

#### SAO4-FY2017

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

AN ACT transferring \$571,494 from the General Fund, Contingency Reserve to the Department of Public Works for unanticipated expenses related to snow removal.

Status: PASSED (as amended)

#### CR39-2017

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Status: PASSED (as amended) Tina Kwon Melton to the Planning Board.

Status: FAILED

#### CR53-2017

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of William A. Moss to the Adult Public Guardianship Review Board.

Status: PASSED

#### CR54-2017

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the Board of Education

A RESOLUTION approving certain transfers between major categories of the Howard County Board of Education Operating Budget for Fiscal Year 2017; transferring a total of \$14,060,000 to the Fixed Charges category.

Status: PASSED (as amended)

#### CB30-2017

Introduced by: Jennifer Terrasa and Jon Weinstein

AN ACT establishing a voluntary Citizens' Election Fund system for candidates for County Executive or County Council; regulating specified campaign finance activities of a candidate who accepts public funding;

#### CB33-2017

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

AN ACT amending an uncodified section in Council Bill No. 9-2014 in order to extend the Renovated, Upgraded, or Rehabilitated Property Adjacent to Route 1 tax credit; providing that applications for the credit received by a certain date will be eligible to receive the credit the full four years of the credit; and declaring this Act to be an emergency measure.

#### CB34-2017

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

AN ACT extending the life of the tax credit for certain high performance buildings until June 30, 2023; amending certain definitions; requiring certain reviews prior to the expiration of the credit; and declaring this Act to be an emergency measure.

Status: PASSED

#### CB35-2017

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

AN ACT pursuant to Section 612 of the Howard County Charter, approving a multi-year Amendment to Full Service Office Building Lease Agreements between Howard County, Maryland and PR FPR North Ridge, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, for the lease of Suite 204 and Suite 209, both in the building located at 2850 North Ridge Road, Ellicott City: authorizing the County Executive to make changes to the Amendment, under certain conditions; authorizing the County Executive to execute the Amendment; and generally relating to the Amendment. Status: PASSED (as amended)

providing for the administration and enforcement of specified aspects of the Citizens' Election Fund system: providing certain penalties for violations of the Citizens' Election Fund system; creating a Citizens' Election Fund Commission and specifying its composition and duties; requiring the Director of and Amendment of Lease between Howard Finance to take specified actions; and generally related to elections for County offices. Status: PASSED (as amended)

#### CB31-2017

#### Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of Olenka Stasyshyn

AN ACT amending the Howard County Zoning Regulations Conditional Use section to add a new Instructional School use to the R-20 Zoning District; and generally relating to Instructional

Status: PASSED (as amended)

#### CB36-2017

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

AN ACT pursuant to Section 612 of the Howard County Charter, approving a Fourth Renewal County, Maryland and the Anne Arundel County Tipton Airport Authority for the lease of certain space used by the County to store the County's helicopter located at 7515 General Aviation Drive, Fort Meade; authorizing the County Executive to make changes to the Amendment, under certain conditions: authorizing the County Executive to execute the Amendment; and generally relating to the Amendment. Status: PASSED

#### The Process

The County Council is responsible for adopting the laws of the County. The legislative process generally follows a monthly cycle:

- 1st Monday New legislation is introduced; legislation from prior month is given final consideration
- 3rd Monday Public hearing on legislation introduced that month
- 4th Monday Legislative work session, if needed

Council bills must be signed or vetoed by the County Executive within 10 days of the Council's presentation of passed legislation.

#### **Upcoming Meetings**

Unless otherwise noted, the County Council will hold its meetings in the Banneker Room of the George Howard Building, 3430 Court House Drive, Ellicott City, MD. The next meetings are as follows:

- Monday, July 3, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.; Legislative Session
- Monday, July 10, 2017 at 8:30 a.m.; Monthly Meeting (C. Vernon Gray Room)
- Monday, July 17, 2017 at 4:30 p.m.; Meeting with Board of Education (C. Vernon Gray Room)
- Thursday, July 20, 2017 at 4:30 p.m.; Legislative Work Session (C. Vernon Gray Room)
- Wednesday, July 26, 2017 at 10:00 a.m., Legislative Session

Please note these dates are subject to change. To access the most up-to-date calendar of meetings in its entirety, click here.

Can't attend a meeting but still want to stay involved? You can stream the Council's sessions online and click on the meeting you would like to watch. The Council's sessions are also streamed in real time on this website.

I hope you have found this information insightful as both the County Council and Delegation continue advocating on behalf of Howard County. Consider lending your voice to our legislative process and please feel free to share this information with your friends, family, and neighbors to help me in my goal to create an informed citizenry.

All the best.



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